

TWO TRAINS WRECKED

One an Excursion and the Other a Mail Train.

Spreading Rails Wreck a Baltimore and Ohio World's Fair Train.

Three of the Excursionists Were Killed and Twenty more Seriously Injured.

AKRON, Ohio, July 25.—A most serious accident occurred on the Pittsburgh and Western railway at Monroe Falls, about seven miles north of here at 5:30 this morning. The second section of a Baltimore and Ohio excursion train, loaded with excursionists from New York state, bound to the World's fair, was thrown from the track by spreading rails and three of the day coaches, loaded with excursionists, rolled down a fifteen foot embankment and two others were derailed. Twenty-one persons were seriously injured, three fatally.

A number of doctors from here went to the scene of the wreck and did all in their power to allay the suffering of the injured. As speedily as possible they were conveyed to Akron and all are being cared for at the city hospital.

If the reports are true the accident is due to negligence on the part of those whose business it is to keep the track in repair. The train was going around a sharp curve when the accident occurred.

Those fatally injured are: J. H. Morelock, Humeston, Ia.; J. Hunt, Philadelphia; Leta Hunt, Baltimore.

List of unfortunates all of whom are eastern people, are as follows: Henry F. Heyle, H. Beyer, William Narrow, Louis Sternbach, James E. Muse, Frank White, I. H. Morelock, William Hunt, J. R. Allen, W. A. Mode, H. C. Mode Mrs. Maggie Core, Mrs. Mary Smith, Lillian Cramer, Isabel Forbes, L. Start, Mrs. Lillian Struzyk.

All the injured were in the day coaches. The last coach was smashed into kindling wood and it is a mystery that any of the occupants came out alive.

WRECK OF A MAIL TRAIN.

BOSTON, Mass., July 25.—The New York mail train that left Providence a little after midnight last night struck an obstruction at Dodgeville while running at a rate of forty miles an hour and was derailed.

A mail clerk named C. J. Miller was instantly killed and another clerk named Murphy was seriously injured. Several passengers are also reported injured. The engine was badly demolished and forward mail cars were completely wrecked. The only passenger coach in the train was a sleeper. It is said some occupants in this coach were injured, although the officials declare that none but the mail clerks were hurt. There is no telegraph office at the station and the conductor was forced to cover a distance of several miles before he could inform the dispatcher of the wreck. The train was run on the old colony system of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad.

SILVER COIN REFUSED.

There is too Much of it Already in the Chicago Sub-Treasury.

CHICAGO, July 25.—All day yesterday as the bank employees carrying sacks of silver coin of all denominations entered the United States sub-treasury a notice confronted them to the effect that silver would not be received, and they had to trudge back to the banks with their heavy loads.

"There is more silver lying uncounted behind the rails of the sub-treasury than the force can handle," said an official of the department this afternoon. "On every shelf and in piles on the floor canvas sacks filled with dollars and other coins are stacked up until there is barely room to get about. We are unable to handle the big amount of silver we have on hand and until it can be all counted and checked up we will not receive any more over the counter."

A Volcano in Nebraska.

STOUT CITY, Io., July 25.—A genuine volcano is the latest product of Nebraska. It is about four miles south of Ponca, and was discovered by a party of bicyclists last week. From a fissure in the bluffs a blast of hot air is issuing with force sufficient to carry twigs and bits of paper a distance of several feet. The air is said to be of a temperature sufficient to keep investigators at a respectful distance. The crater of an extinct volcano,

about twelve miles from Ponca, was noted in the account of the Lewis and Clark expedition, and the site has been frequently visited since. The river in the neighborhood has been eating into the bank and destroying the roads, and it is thought the water may have reached a deposit of limestone and produced the heat. The old crater has now almost disappeared, but it was undoubtedly in a state of great activity in early days, and deposits of lava and stone thrown out are found about in considerable quantities. The new break of nature is situated in the bluffs just above the river, and the party which discovered it were at a loss to understand the noise made by the escaping air until one of them felt the breath of blistering wind. There was no peculiarity of odor and no foreign substance has been thrown out, but there is no doubt about the existence of some disturbance under ground which is sending to the surface a continuous current of intensely heated air.

A LEVEE GIVES WAY.

And Pueblo, Colorado is Flooded.

Water Stands Five Feet in Depth in the City Hall.

PUEBLO, Colo., July 27.—The citizens were awakened about 1 o'clock this morning by a terrible flood which came down the river from the Grand Canyon. The water broke the levee in two places and the entire lower portion of the city was threatened with a flood. The city hall has now five feet of water on three sides of it and all the basements in that block are filled. A break west of the city resulted in the flooding of that portion of the city west of the Union depot and Victoria avenue.

The loss will be nearly \$100,000. Hundreds of poor people living in the flats have fled to higher grounds. No loss of life has been reported.

A TRIPPLE TRAGEDY.

The Heinous Crime of an Ignorant Laborer.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 26.—A fearful triple tragedy took place during an early hour this morning. Mrs. John Smouse and two children, Mary and Maggie, aged 4 and 2 respectively, being the victims. At 2 a. m. the fire department was called to the Smouse residence in response to a fire call. The fire was soon extinguished. Some members of the department in looking about the house, were horrified at the sight of three dead bodies. Dents in the woman's head showed that she had been killed by some blunt instrument, while the children had evidently been smothered to death. Smouse was quickly taken in tow by a policeman and placed in jail.

Though Smouse says he knows nothing of the crime, the police seem to think differently. They are confident that a tripple murder has been committed and the house set on fire to cover up the crime. The one remaining child told the police the father had "hit mother on the head with a hatchet." Smouse is an ignorant laborer. The neighbors think jealousy caused the deed.

Cholera in Italy.

ROME, July 25.—Notwithstanding the official denial of reports that cholera has appeared in Italy it is known that the disease prevails in a number of places.

At Alessandria, the capital of a province of that name, new cases are of daily occurrence.

IN SMYRNA.

ATHENS, July 25.—The Greek consul at Smyrna, Asia Minor, reports five cases of cholera, and two deaths there. The Greek government have ordered all vessels arriving from Smyrna be subjected to eleven days' quarantine.

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A DUEL WANTED.

Captain Tillman Throws Down the Gage of Battle to Senator Irby.

COLUMBIA, S. C., July 27.—A lively three-cornered political fight is now in progress between United States Senator Irby, Adjutant-General Farley and Capt. J. H. Tillman, a son of ex-Congressman Tillman and a nephew of the governor. Adjutant-General Farley recently scored Senator Irby for writing the political letter signed "Craddock." Irby replied by denying this and laying the authorship to Tillman, who was then a newspaper correspondent in Washington. Farley now charges Irby with being the real author of the "Craddock" article, saying that if Tillman was concerned in it he was made a scapegoat by Irby. He declares that Irby has made a tool of himself in the senate and he cannot even appoint a dog peltier. He characterizes Irby's recent attack on Congressman Shell, when he drew a bowie knife, as ungentlemanly and cowardly, and says:

"John you have hinted that you wanted to settle these matters out of the papers. I know that you are not hunting a square, fair fight, but if you can't stand these affectionate missives or pleasant pasquerades of mine, and conclude to risk it, don't try to drag in friends or relatives to do your fighting, as you have an old and impudent habit of doing, but come by yourself, Johnny, for you know you can get fair play and always find 'where I am at.'"

Farley threatens that he is prepared to prove Irby a traitor to his friends, to Gov. Tillman, to the alliance and the reform movement, and if he hears anything more from him he will do it. This evening Capt. Tillman alleges that, having gone to Washington to inspect the records of the telegraph office, he found evidence to convince him that Irby was unscrupulous. He states that last March Irby dictated the Craddock letter to him as a sensation for his newspaper, but he did not believe it to be true, and he handed it back to Irby, telling him he could not publish it. He says the telegraph office records show that Irby, after Tillman had gone home, took the article and signed "Craddock" (Tillman's nom de plume) and telegraphed it. He says that Irby was constantly writing letters to the home papers, puffing himself, and that he sent one of these, with Craddock's name to it, on April 5. Referring to this, Tillman says:

"I have never objected to this dispatch, as Senator Irby's good opinion of his own eloquence and oratorical powers could injure no one. Then, too, Senator Irby was not entirely sober on this particular night and was hardly responsible for his own grandiloquent ideas, thoughts and conduct, as I have affidavits to prove that he was under the influence of whisky, and Senator Irby can get copies upon application."

Tillman says that he befriended Irby at Washington, and it was partly on his account that Irby was ridiculed by the press there. He tells Irby that if he has any doubt that he (Tillman) will maintain the truth of his statement "there is a short and easy way for him to test it." The general opinion is that if Irby does test it there will be blood.

Held Up and Robbed the Sheriff.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., July 27.—Sheriff M. M. Smith, of Rison, Cleveland county, was robbed of \$1,300 this morning on the streets of this city. Here is what he says:

"I came from home yesterday, coming to attend the Sheriff's convention and also to wind up my settlement with the treasurer. I had \$1,288 of the states' money in a folding pocket-book and \$205 of my own money in a pocket in my trousers. I intended to deposit the money in a bank upon my arrival, but I found all the banks were closed. I put my money and pistol under a pillow. About 3 o'clock this morning I was awakened by the fire-bells. I thought I would go to the fire so I dressed myself, putting the money and pistol in my pocket. I went down stairs and out of the hotel, starting east on Second street. When I reached Louisiana street, I noticed two men standing at the alley half a block away. When I reached them I attempted to pass between them. One of them, a thin-built man, with light mustache, well dressed, wearing a white felt hat, grabbed me around my body. The other man, who was short and chunky, and not as well dressed as his partner, and who had a black moustache, sprang in front of me with a drawn revolver. The man who grabbed me did the robbing while his partner held the revolver on me. My pistol was taken from me first, then my folding pocket-book containing \$1,288 belonging to the state went next. The robbers then released me and ran down the alley going south. They

made no effort to get the \$205 in my pants pocket. I do not know who the highwaymen were. The man who took the money from me I think I saw about the hotel last night after supper. He acted as if he was watching for some one. I did not exhibit \$1 of money. After the robbery I visited police headquarters and reported the affair. In company with the night sergeant I searched the saloons and other places, but failed to find the thieves.

CONVICTED.

The Murderers of E. E. Brown of St. Louis Convicted.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 26.—The jury in the case of Henry Kaiser, Jacob Heinze and Charles McConnell, charged with the murder and robbery of E. E. Brown, a live stock dealer, at noon brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree against Kaiser and Heinze, and of an acquittal for McConnell.

Brown was murdered March 2 last, dying from a kick in the stomach inflicted by the robbers, who afterwards pilfered his house.

PROUD OF HIS COUNTRY.

The Siamese Commissioner at Chicago Talks of the Expected War.

CHICAGO, July 27.—Phra Suriya Navatr, the representative of Siam at the World's fair, is deeply interested in the war news from Bangkok, and talks freely to reporters. He says that the origin of the dispute dates back to the year 1865, when M. de la Lannes, the French Viceroy in Annam, conceived the idea of using the Mekong river as a means of tapping the trade of China and carrying it into French Cochinchina instead of to Bangkok. He said it would be done and has been trying to make his prophecy true ever since. Three years ago the French minister resident at Bangkok, M. Pavie, asked permission to explore the left bank of the Mekong. We allowed him to do it and gave him passports and guides. After several years of exploration he thought he could make use of the river to further French trade and advised his government to pick a quarrel with ours as the surest way of getting what he wanted.

Mr. Suriya says that England cannot afford to permit France to declare a blockade. "It would not affect Siam as much as it would England. We can exist on our own resources, but England is doing a trade with us, through Hong Kong and Singapore that amounts to \$9,000,000 a year. France's trade through Sargong in Cochinchina amounts to a paltry \$40,000 a year."

"If it is to be simply a blockade," continued the Siamese commissioner, "we will let the British act; that is their business, since it affects their interests. As for any land invasion, that is almost impossible. France has no native troops to call upon, and our marshes and teak forests would be impassable to European soldiers. Our crest is so full of shallows that no bombardment is possible except at Bangkok. My letters tell me that two months ago the women of Siam had raised 60,000 'catties' (a catty equals 48) as a fund to provide for the care of the wounded in case of open hostilities. It means a great deal to us, this demand for the land along the banks of the Mekong river. This was land that was won from Annam and Cambodia by the blood of our forefathers, and the blood of the present generation will be spent to keep it."

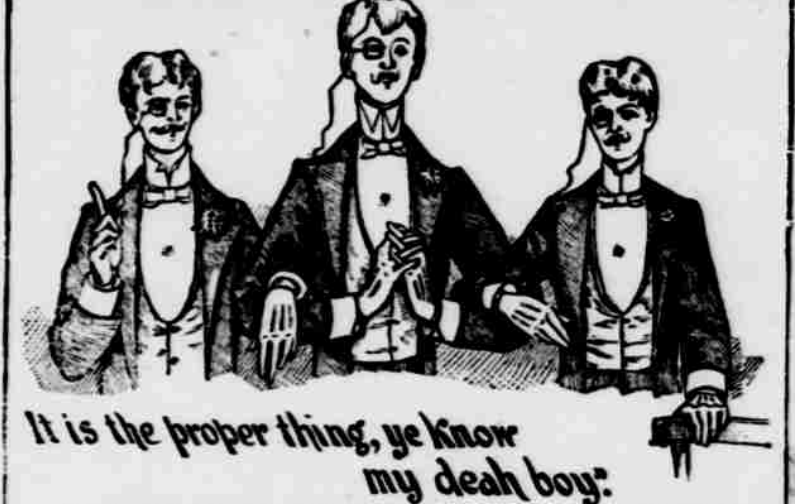
Almost Miraculous.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., July 27.—The board of health reports to the Times of this city through City Physician Holland, that each of the eleven third-stage consumptives placed under the treatment obtained from Dr. Amick of Cincinnati, by the city authorities several weeks ago have improved to a degree almost miraculous. The results as given to the press by Ward's Island Hospital, New York, while equally sensational, were not so comprehensive, and local medical men claim that this is the most complete demonstration that consumption is curable thus far made.

The Times says: "The eleven patients to whom were administered Dr. Amick's medicines are so far improved that their appetites have returned. They sleep well at night, have no night sweats, the irritating cough has disappeared, and they feel much stronger in every way. Local physicians report similar results in private practice from medicines furnished them by the Cincinnati doctor and all apparently agree that it is the most important discovery medical science has yet brought to light."

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